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The Rhode Island Institute of Instruction met at Wakefield on Friday and Saturday last.

Mr. N. W. DeMunn, the President, occupied the chair, and Almy Aldrich, Esq., was chosen Secretary pro tem.

But few teachers were present during the morning session, and no business was transacted.

In the afternoon addresses were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Wheeler, Pastor of the Baptist Church at Wakefield, Mr. DeMunn, Mr. Aldrich and others.

In the evening after prayer and singing a large audience gathered to listen to the eloquent lecture of Rev. J. T. Edwards, of the East Greenwich Seminary, on "The use and abuse of illustration."

The lecture was a masterly production and in the discussion that followed, the President stated that its effect had been to instruct in many things as well as to interest them deeply.

On Saturday the President, Mr. N. W. DeMunn, spoke of the lesson to be learned from the lecture of the previous evening, and also gave an interesting and instructive address upon the proper method of teaching geography. He contended that teachers generally confine their teaching too much to text books, and that this is especially the case in giving instruction in the science of geography.

Mr. Aldrich followed with a familiar lecture upon the study of grammar, and related some amusing anecdotes of mistakes made in that study. He argued that unless the lessons be made practical the pupil fails in becoming interested in any study.

After the intermission a able lecture on the subject of Arithmetic, with especial reference to Square Root, was given by the President, and a further consideration of the same subject was taken up and ably discussed by the Hon. R. G. Hazard. Mr. Hazard gave illustrations of an interesting nature.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the wants of our State demand that a new and more complete system of education be established at once, and that our educational efforts shall be given to the furtherance of such a project.

Hon. E. R. Potter was moved to oppose to the so-called "rate bill" system, and deplored the condition of many districts throughout our State.

**Literary Notices.**

The Northern Monthly for March justifies the reputation which it has already made, as a magazine devoted to live topics, and fearless in its expression of opinions.

"The Foreword of the Pig Leaves" is a vigorous protest against the tendency of American fashionable society, in respect to the indecency of costume, with all the dreary details following in train. Another paper upon a cognate subject, "The Ballet as a Social Evil," will also excite deep attention—and combined they form a wholesome corrective of the feverish and downward direction of metropolitan life. Charles Lumsden presents the history of our Magazine Literature in a concise form; Lumsden completes his pleasant story, "Cu Han Hsu; Olive Logan writes charmingly of An Impressionist States; and Whittemore Tithes gives us a further paper upon Metropolitan Politics.

The Corcoran Road is a brilliant traveler's sketch from the pen of Rev. Charles Robinson. Hon. Joel Parker, the New Jersey Democratic candidate for the presidency, also contributes a biographical article upon the famous Commodore Stockton. Mrs. Harriet Prescott Spofford's magnificent story is temporarily out of the way, but the publishers' announcement says, however, that the story will positively reappear in the next number. New York, and Newark, N. J.

The March number of Public Spirit completes the second volume of the first year. With the commencement of this third volume it is to be enlarged and improved so as to assume its proper place in the rank of first class magazines. It is not the organ of a political party, yet it discusses the leading events of the day, and it will continue to aim at the improvement and amusement of its readers. The publisher aims to make it the cheapest magazine of the day, its price being 25 cents a number, or \$3.00 a year. American News Company, agents, New York.

Merry's Museum has an attractive table of contents, including the account of a mouse hunt in Maine and a cut illustrating the same very accurately, as we well know. Other articles are, My Day Among Curious Birds and Beasts, Little Pearl, &c., with a new labyrinth puzzle. H. D. Fuller, 216 Washington Street, Boston.

The Phenomenological Journal for 1898 contains a right freight of literature, adapted to the tastes of all readers, viz: D'Israeli, the English Minister; John Bright the Hero; or, Lion, Timothy O. Howe, U. S. S.; Thomas Allen Reed, the celebrated Shortland Reporter; Elizabeth Blackwell; A Woman's Manner; What and How shall a Man Preach; No Business; The Broad Way; Paganism, its Cause and Cure, &c., with numerous portraits and illustrations. \$3 a year, or 39 cents a number. S. R. Welles, 589 Broadway, New York.

Among the contents of the Schoeddy Visitor for March are: Adventures of Tom Roper, Juggling St. John, Slingshots, Life in a Goose Pond, Looking for Meteors, The Crow and the Fox, Rumping Nellie, &c. The publishers have adopted the plan of offering premiums for subscribers. The magazine is a good one and the premiums are worth the effort. J. W. Daughaday & Co., 423 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

The Missouri State Board of Immigration has published a pamphlet giving a full account of the resources of that State, prepared by Prof. S. Waterhouse. Gov. Fletcher's name attends the publication and gives it authority. Persons who think of emigrating to the West will find here full information of what we believe to be the richest State open for settlers in that favored region. Printed by Aug. Wiebisch & Son, St. Louis.

## ABOUT HOME.

**MANURE.**—Schroeder Brothers, of Quincy, Torrey, from Baltimore, with three hundred barrels of flour and nine thousand bushels of corn, for Providence, arrived at this port at half past two Monday morning. Capt. Torrey reports very cold weather and vessel covered with ice Sunday night, and a tremendous gale and storm Sunday night. Sunday noon saw a fore and aft schooner ashore on the east end of Montauk, was not near enough to make her out. The *Enclave* left Fort-ress Monroe at nine A. M. Friday, and ran to Montauk in forty hours.

**EXPLANATORY.**—We are assured that we were misinformed as to the person going by the name of Clarence Roberts having attended the Artillery ball on Thursday evening. The party was given to the Company, and none were present except the Company, the officers of the Light Infantry and a few recent ex-members.

**LEGISLATION.**—The General Assembly met yesterday, but the session being no quorum in either house, both houses adjourned. Mr. Van Zandt was in the Speaker's chair, and Mr. Bush, of this city, was present in the House. Mr. Church, of Bristol, presided in the Senate; the roll of which body has not come to hand.

It is stated that the fire on Saturday evening was probably caused by a lad who was practising with a pistol in the barn in the afternoon.

**POSTPONED.**—The "Social Hop" which was to take place last evening, at Langley's Hall, was postponed to this evening, on account of the storm. It is intended for the benefit of a person who has become disabled from pursuing his accustomed occupation.

**LEAP YEAR.**—The ladies of the Good Templars' Lodge gave the gentlemen members a collation, at their Hall, last evening.

The measles are very prevalent in this city. Not only children but adults are in some cases afflicted with this complaint.

**SHOCKING MURDER.**

Joseph G. Clark, a professional gambler, was murdered at Worcester on Friday evening in a most cold and deliberate manner, by Silas James and Charles T. James, of West Greenwich, R. I. The circumstances are thus related:—Mrs. Eaton, a young woman with whom Clark had maintained intimate relations, had been watching his door, jealous of the supposed presence of another female, when she saw two men issue, and go out of the house. Entering, she found blood and brains on the floor of the room where the fare table stood, and Clark's body lying upon a bed lying flat in the bed room. His head was split open, and a rope was knotted about his neck, with a poker used as a tourniquet. A kerosene lamp had been broken over his head, and the oil set on fire. Watch, diamond pin, and money were gone, but \$1400 in U. S. bonds were untouched in the drawer of his fare-table. There had been no disturbance, and the room showed no evidence of a struggle. Silas James was arrested at the depot while waiting for a train, to escape from the city. Charles, seeing the officers coming, fled on foot sixteen miles to Westboro, where he arrived about three in the morning. Here he sought out a livery stable, ordered a horse, and bargained to be immediately conveyed to Providence. He said that a very dear friend was dying, and that it was necessary that he should reach home at the earliest moment. It was half past four o'clock when the fugitive, accompanied by the hestler, left Westboro, and with the horses urged at the top of their speed, they sped swiftly away from the officers of justice.

At Woonsocket, the position of the horses made it necessary that they should pause for a while that the animals might rest. The party remained at Woonsocket but little more than half an hour. When the horses had received some attention as the brevity of the stay admitted, the fugitive and his driver resumed their journey. In the meantime, the police department of Providence, to which information of the homicide had been sent from Worcester, telegraphed to the chief of police of Woonsocket that it was possible that James would pass through that village, and the fact that a personage, answering to his description had just driven from the place, soon became known to the officials. Constable Capron accordingly cut out in pursuit, but notwithstanding the fact that James had but about fifteen minutes the start, and although the officer followed very rapidly, he did not succeed in overtaking the fugitive, and at Pawtucket all trace of him was lost. It has since transpired that upon reaching Pawtucket, which is just four miles from Providence, James alighted from the sleigh, and saying that as it was a very bad road for the remainder of the way to Providence, and as the horses were very much fatigued he would go on foot, or by the horse cars, for the rest of the way. He then paid the driver a liberal sum for his services, and the latter started on his return. After the driver had turned back, James proceeded to Montville, which is on the northwestern outskirts of the city, and took the Greenville stage.

While these movements were progressing, detective Swan, of Providence, knowing that James had alighted in Pawtucket, proceeded to the residence of the suspected man, having previously notified officer Carroll, who was patrolling in the vicinity, to be on the look-out for the same party. While Mr. Swan was in the house in question, the stage on which James was a passenger drove into the village, and the fugitive alighted. He started at a brisk walk in the direction of his relative's house, probably with the intention of stopping there, when some men who were standing in a sham by which he was passing, and who had seen an account of the murder in the morning papers, cried out:

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